## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of THIEBLIN et al.  National Phase of PCT/FR98/01647		. ,)
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Filed:	Herewith	)
Title:	METHOD AND DEVICE FOR	)
	PURIFYING WASTE WATER	)
	COMPRISING AN ADDITIONAL	)
	SLUDGE TREATMENT BY	)
	OZONATION	)

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

To: Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please cancel the abstract and insert the Abstract of the Disclosure as submitted in the appended sheet.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-14 without prejudice and substitute therefor the following new claims 15-28:

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